Attorney Reference No.: 52725.00008

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-21 and 24-34 remain in the application. Claims 1 and 25 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Applicants respectfully request allowance of each of pending claims.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC §102(e)

Claims 1-2, 4, 6-21, and 24-34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by **Fernandez** et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,697,103).

Applicants sincerely appreciate the Examiner's thorough review of the present application as evidence by the present Office Action of May, 14, 2008. In order to advance the prosecution of this application to allowance, independent claims 1 and 25 have been amended extensively to patentably distinguish over the Fernandez reference, as described below.

In particular, claim 1 has been amended to specifically recite a mobile digital security system including a plurality of mobile units coupled through wireless network to a central station having an archiving server ("server") wherein the server provides for management of the mobile digital surveillance system. While **Fernandez** is directed to a system for electronically monitoring remote objects comprising a controller, a plurality of detectors, a digital network, and GPS receivers for monitoring and analyzing remote or local movement of one or more objects. See col.1:31-50 of Fernandez.

The claims 1 and 25 have been amended for further distinction over the cited reference. As amended, claim 1 recites in part:

"A mobile digital security system comprising:

Attorney Reference No.: 52725.00008

a <u>digital video recorder</u> disposed in each of a plurality of mobile units and operable to generate a digital video/data signal, wherein each digital video recorder <u>is adapted</u> for full frame rate recording of digital video together with other data including a digital water <u>mark for authenticating the video/data signal and network streaming</u>;

a wireless device including a wireless access point coupled to the wireless interface through a wireless network for receiving the encapsulated and transmitted digital video/data signal;

at least one central data process unit coupled to the wireless access point <u>for initiating a remote retrieve function</u> for detecting new video data in each digital video recorder by checking each digital video recorder's recording history; and

a server coupled to the wireless access point for processing the received digital video/data signal, the serve further providing user with remote management and control capabilities over the digital video recorder.

wherein the server is implemented with a real time synchronization protocol for alerting a monitoring station when the digital video recorder is within a predetermined proximity of the monitoring station." (Emphasis added).

Support for the above amendment can be found throughout the specification, for example, see paragraphs [013] ("digital water mark"), [014] ("provide police authorities with remote management and control capabilities over the digital video recorders"), [0019] ("digital video recorder preferably provides for full frame rate recording and network streaming"), [0021] ("digital water mark"), and [0028] ("to initiate a remote retrieve function to detect the presence of new video data in each digital video recorder") of the present application.

Fernandez fails to disclose or suggest the above-identified limitation including the "digital video recorder" recited in claim 1. The Examiner asserts that the claimed "digital video recorder" is disclosed in col. 6:15-32 ("video camera") and col. 8:10-20 ("digital video disk (DVD)) of Fernandez (Office action, page 5). However, the "video camera" or "DVD" described in col. 6 and col. 8 of Fernandez should be clearly distinguished from the "digital video recorder" recited in claim 1 because of two reasons. Firstly, the "video camera" or "DVD" described in Fernandez fails to disclose or suggest the function recited in claim 1, i.e.,

Attorney Reference No.: 52725.00008

together with other data including a digital water mark for authenticating the video/data signal and network streaming", the limitations recited in claim 1 as amended. Secondly, the present application clearly distinguishes the claimed "digital video recorder" from the "video camera" - See [0019] of the present application ("A camera may be coupled to the digital video recorder 110 to provide....to the digital video recorder 110"). For the foregoing reasons, a "video camera" or "DVD" described in col. 6 and col.8 of Fernandez must be clearly distinguished from the "digital video recorder" providing the function recited in claim 1.

Moreover, Fernandez fails to disclose or suggest:

"at least one central data process unit <u>coupled to the wireless access point for initiating a remote retrieve function for detecting new video data in each digital video recorder by checking each digital video recorder's recording history; and" (Emphasis added).</u>

Support for the above amendment is found in Fig. 1 and paragraph [028] of the present application. However, Fernandez fails to disclose or suggest at least one "central data process unit" coupled to the wireless access point for initiating a remote retrieve function...., recited claim 1 as amended. Fig. 1 of the present application shows a central data process unit 190 separate from the server 150. Col.6: 58-69 and col. 7:1-2 of Fernandez fails to disclose or suggest the claimed unit 190 coupled to the wireless access point.

Claim 1 further recites in part:

"a <u>server coupled to the wireless access point</u> for processing the received digital video/data signal, <u>the serve further providing user with remote management and control</u> capabilities over the digital video recorder" (Emphasis added).

The Examiner relied on col. 9:10-25 of Fernandez to show the above-identified element of claim 1. However, the above-identified portions of Fernandez relate to data base

Attorney Reference No.: 52725,00008

structure 162 in software of controller 66 and thus have nothing to do with a "server coupled to the wireless access point for processing the received digital video/data signal, and the serve further providing user with remote management and control capabilities over the digital video recorder".

For at least the foregoing reasons, Fernandez fails to anticipate claim 1. As amended, claim 25 recite similar limitations as claim 1 and for the same reasons discussed above, claim 25 is also patentable over Fernandez under section 102(e). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of claims 1, 25 and other claims 2, 4, 6-21, 24, 26-34 which depend therefrom.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 3 and 5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Fernandez in view of Lewellen (US 2004/0008255) and Johnson (U.S. Patent No. 7,100,190), respectively.

The Examiner relied on **Lewellen** and **Johnson** to show a wireless WLAN using the 802.11b standard and the surveillance system used by law enforcement, respectively. As argued above, claims 3 and 5 depend from claim 1 and include all the limitations recited in claim 1 and additional limitations as amended. Accordingly, Fernandez and Lewellen, or Fernandez and Johnson, considered alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest each and every element of claim 3 or 5. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of claims 3 and 5 which depend from claim 1 as amended.

Attorney Reference No.: 52725.00008

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the

pending claims are drawn to novel subject matter, patentably distinguishable over the prior art

of record. The Examiner is therefore, respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the

outstanding rejections.

Should the Examiner deem that any further clarification is desirable, the Examiner is

invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

Bv:

Howard Chen, Esq. Attorney for Applicants Registration No. 46,615

Howard Chen

Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates Ellis LLP

55 Second Street, Suite 1700

San Francisco, CA 94105

Telephone: (415) 882-8200 Facsimile: (415) 882-8220

JHL